Poverty around the world

A) Listen and complete.

Text A

"Poverty is _____. Poverty is lack of shelter. Poverty is being _____ and not being able to see a doctor. Poverty is not having access to _____ and not knowing how to _____. Poverty is not having a _____, is fear for the future, living one day at a time.

Text B

Poverty has many faces, changing from place to place and across time, and has been described in many ways. Most often, poverty is a situation people want to escape. So poverty is a call to action - for the poor and the _____ alike -- a call to change the world so that many more may have enough to_____, adequate shelter, access to _____ and _____, protection from _____, and a voice in what happens in their communities."

Text C

In addition to a lack of _____, poverty is about not being able to participate in different activities; not being able to send children on a _____ with their schoolmates or to a birthday party; not being able to pay for _____ for an illness. These are all costs of being poor. Those people who are barely able to pay for _____ and shelter simply can't consider these other expenses. When people are excluded within a _____, when they are not well educated and _____, there are negative consequences for society. We all pay the price for poverty. The increased cost on the _____ _____, the justice system and other systems that provide supports to those living in poverty has an impact on our _____.

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